

Sec. 39. UNIFORMITY OF INTERPRETATION.

This Act shall be so interpreted and construed as to effectuate its general purpose to make uniform the laws of those states which enact it.

Sec. 40. CONSTITUTIONALITY.

If any part or parts of this Act shall be held unconstitutional, such unconstitutionality shall not affect the validity of the remaining parts of this Act. The General Assembly hereby declares that it would have passed the remaining parts of this Act if it had known that such part or parts thereof would be declared unconstitutional.

Sec. 41. TITLE OF ACT.

This Act may be cited as the "Motor Vehicle Safety-Responsibility Act of 1953".

Sec. 42. EFFECTIVE DATE OF ACT.

This Act shall take effect the 1st day of January, 1954.

Sec. 43. APPROPRIATIONS.

The sum of two hundred ten thousand dollars (\$210,000.00) per fiscal year is hereby appropriated from the general fund of the State for the purposes of enforcement and administration of the Act during the fiscal years 1953-1954 and 1954-1955.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 30th day of April, 1953.

S. B. 109**CHAPTER 1301****AN ACT REGULATING THE CUTTING OF FOREST SEED TREES.**

WHEREAS, the preservation of the forests and the conservation of the forest resources for the equal and guaranteed use of present and future generations, and the protection and perpetuation of forest resources by means of continuous growth of timber on lands suitable therefor, are declared to be the public policy of the State of North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, in declaring this policy it is recognized that continuous timber growth of commercially valuable species is in the public interest, and can be attained in a considerable degree by prescribing certain rules of forest practice to be observed in the growing and harvesting of timber; and

WHEREAS, it is in the public interest to prescribe certain minimum rules of forest practice to be observed in the growing and harvesting of timber to provide for natural reforestation: Now, therefore,

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. Chapter 113 of the General Statutes is hereby amended by adding a new Article immediately following Article 6A to be numbered Article 6B, and to read as follows:

"Article 6B—Forest Seed Tree Act.

"G. S. 113.81.4. Definitions. For the purpose of this Article:

"'Tree' means any tree of a commercially valuable species which is six inches or more in diameter, at a point four and one-half feet (4½ ft.) above the general ground level.